[English]

Upgradation of Primary Health Centres in Lakshadweep

3146. SHRI P.M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any proposal for the upgradation of Primary Health Centres at Amini and Androth Islands of Lakshadweep;

(b) if so, the details thereof;and

(c) the time by which the upgradation of these two centres are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). As per information available in the Ministry, the Administration of Lakshadweep have already undertaken the project for upgradation of two Primary Health Centres at Amini and Androth by providing some specialists and modern medical facilities. The state Government has informed that the construction of 2 community Health Centres has already started and is expected to be completed by 1991—92.

Nursing Allowance to Health Works of Lakshadweep

3147. SHRI P.M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether nursing allowance is not provided to the multipurpose Health Workers employed in Government hospital of Lakshadweep; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and whether such a allowance is proposed to be given to such employees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Benefit of payment of Nursing Allowance has not yet been extended to the Multipurpose Health Workers.

Jungle Mafia

3148. SHRI P.M. SAYEED:
SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have identified some Jungle mafia which work for systematic destruction of forests;

(b) if so, the State—wise details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken against them to save the forests?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) to (c). Information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

Pollution at Bombay Coastal Areas

3149. SHRI RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are alarming pollution conditions on Bombay coastal areas; and

(b) if so, the steps taken or proposed to

be taken to prevent the area from pollution?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) In some portions of the coastal areas around Bombay, such as the Thane Creek, Tarapur, Bassien Creek and Dharamstar, the sea water quality has deteriorated due to the discharge of industrial wastes and domestic sewage.

(b) The steps taken to prevent the area from pollution include the following:

1. The total waste water from Bombay city discharged into the sea is about 2500 MLD. Bombay Municipal Corporation is implementing a scheme for collection, treatment and disposal of sewage prior to discharge into the sea.

2. Maharashtra Pollution Control Board has initiated steps for controlling water pollution from industries and local bodies along the coast, as per the provisions of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974.

3. Legal action is taken against defaulting units. Cases have been filed against 152 industries in the coastal belt for violating the consent conditions.

4. Maharashtra Industries Development Corporation (MIDC)has industrial estates along the cost. The MIDC authorities have been asked to provide common effluent collection and disposal systems in the industrial estates. Disposal systems at the following industriale states have been reported to have been completed.

a) Thane—Belapur

b) Saravli (Near Kalyan)

c) Patal Ganga (Raigad district)

d) Roha (Raigad)

e) Dombivli (Thane)

f) Tarapur (Thane)

g) Mahad (Thane)

5. In Maharashtra Industries Development Corporation (MIDC) areas, water supply connection to the industries is not given till the effluent treatment and disposal arrangements are provided by the industries as per the conditions prescribed under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974. The arrangements are verified by the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board(MPCB) and only on the recommendations from the MPCB water supply for production purposes is given by MIDC.

6. Schemes for common effluent treatment plants for clusters of small scale industries located at Thane Belapur and Tarapur areas, have been worked out.

7. Government has notified coastal zone regulations under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 with a view to regulate impact on the coastline. This would reduce discharge of pollutants into the coastal waters of Maharashtra, particularly at Bombay.

Amount Spent on Afforestation Programme

3150. SHRI HARISH NARAYAN PRABHU ZANTYE: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent on afforestation